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EDUCATION

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University,
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Ph.D.

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Educational Research and Evaluation

Dissertation Title: Part-time Employment in High
School Years: Educational, Social, and Psychological
Effects.

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Dr. Katherine Allen, Dr. Penny Burge, and
Dr. Sandra Dika.

Caribbean Union College/Andrews University,
Maracas, Trinidad

B.S. Behavioral Science

University of Sheffield, Sheffield, England

M.Ed. Special and Inclusive Education

October 1998

Dissertation: Underachievement of Boys

University of Sheffield, Sheffield, England.

Diploma in Special Education

October 1995

John S. Donaldson Technical Institute, Port of Spain, Trinidad

**Diploma in Technical Vocational
Education**

December 1992

John S. Donaldson Technical Institute, Port of Spain, Trinidad

Technician's Diploma – Home Economics

July 1986

Government Teachers' College, Port of Spain, Trinidad

Diploma in Elementary Education

July 1979

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University Graduate Teaching Assistant	2005 - 2006
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University Graduate Assistant	2004 - 2005
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University Graduate Assistant/ Graduate Research Assistant	2003 - 2004
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University Graduate Assistant	2001 - 2003
TV Teacher 4 El Dorado Secondary School Target Road, El Dorado, Tunapuna, Trinidad Teacher of Home Economics & Social Studies Dean of Students	September 1994 to present (On Leave)
TV Teacher 2 San Juan Comprehensive School. Bourg Mulatress, Trinidad. Teacher of Home Economics	September to November, 1994
TV. Teacher 2 Toco Composite School Galera Road, Toco, Trinidad Teacher of Home Economics Head of Department	1988 - 1994
Teacher 1 Malabar Government Primary School Pomegranate Avenue, Malabar, Arima, Trinidad Teacher of Standard 5	1986-1988
Teacher 1 Malabar Government Primary School Pomegranate Avenue, Malabar, Arima, Trinidad Teacher of Standard. 5	1981-1983
Teacher 1 Laventille Girls' Government School Teacher of Standard. 5	1979-1981

Assistant Teacher 2
Laventille Girls' Government School
Teacher of Standard 2
1974-1977

Accounts Clerk
Ministry of Education, Trinidad
1972-1974

EXPERIENCES AT VIRGINIA TECH

Vice President for International Students
Gamma Omega Chapter -Phi Beta Delta.
Honor Society for International Scholars
2004 - 2005

Graduate Student Representative on Search Committee for
Faculty in the Department of Educational Leadership
& Policy Studies, Educational Research and Evaluation
2003

Orientation Mentor Cranwell International Center,
Blacksburg, Virginia Tech Campus.
2005

AWARDS

Graduate Research Development Project grant
2005

Organization of American States (OAS) Fellowship
1983

Most Outstanding Sports Personality
Government Teachers' College, Trinidad
1979

MEMBERSHIP

Phi Beta Delta, Honor Society for International Scholars
2002

Kappa Delta Phi,
International Honor Society in Education
2003

PRESENTATIONS

Eastern Educational Research Association
(EERA) Annual Conference, Sarasota, Florida -
*Family social capital and academic engagement
of adolescents* (with Drs. Kusum Singh and Sandra
Dika)
2005

Eastern Educational Research Association
(EERA) Annual Conference 2004
Part-time employment: socio-psychological outcomes.
Clearwater, Florida

SELECTED REPORTS

Science Learning Report at Salem High School: Final Report. (2002). Report prepared for The Science Department staff at Salem High School, Virginia with Dr. K. Singh and S. Dika.

Science Learning study in Henry County Public Schools. (2002). Report prepared for Science Department and administrators in four county schools, Henry County, Virginia with Dr. K. Singh, S. Dika, and R. Awuor.